



**OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, SONITPUR
AT TEZPUR**

No. **DJ(S)** 2110 Dated, Tezpur, the 21 / 05 / 2020
ORDER

In compliance with the notification No. 26 dated 15th May 2020 of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court regarding restricted Court functioning with '**Staggered Roster**' and in strict obedience of the order passed by Hon'ble Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, dated 15th May 2020, the undersigned satisfied to make following arrangements for the functioning of district court at Tezpur, Biswanath Chariali and Gohpur:-

- i) The restricted functioning of the court maintaining '**Staggered Roster**' shall be held through the video conferencing in Virtual Courts formulated in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Gauhati High court.
- ii) For smooth functioning of the Virtual Courts the Litigants, participants, required persons and Ld. Advocates are directed to contact the court room coordinator or the Nodal Officers of the respective courts for proper arrangement of the video conferencing as per the time slot given in the cause list by the respective Virtual Courts. Further, the stakeholders as mentioned above are directed to contact the Nodal Officers or Court room co-coordinator preferably 3 (three) days prior to the scheduled video conferencing and to facilitate them the contact details of Nodal Officers and court room coordinator are provided at **column no. xii**.
- iii) The video conferencing facilities shall be used for conducting the judicial proceeding and all the protocols with decorum applicable to the physical courts shall also apply to the virtual proceedings. The Advocates, required persons, Litigants, Parties and the staffs shall maintain indecorous conduct dress before the virtual courts;
- iv) During the process of video conferencing the parties including their Advocates appearing before the proceedings are obliged to mute their microphones for preventing noisy sound that may interrupt the video conferencing. Further, for proper upholding allotted time slot the limited Advocates who actually intend to remain present in the hearing shall only be allowed to participate the video conferencing and unnecessary gatherings within the precinct of Virtual Courts shall be avoided.

- v) During the video conferencing, Litigants, Parties, required persons and Ld. Advocates shall remain in touch with court room coordinator and the concerned court room coordinator shall ensure not using of any other device of recording, broadcasting and storing of such video conferencing in any manner.
- vi) The list of remote point coordinator shall be notified as per the notification No. 27 dated 18th May, 2020 of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court time to time in compliance with the Video Conferencing Rule. The court room coordinator and remote point coordinator shall ensure that the recommended requirements are complied with, so that the proceedings are conducted seamlessly, for example, when a medical officer is required to be examined through Virtual Courts in the mode of video conferencing, the Superintendent of Civil Hospital or any higher official authorized by him or the person in-charge of hospital shall be the remote point coordinator and in respect of other situation described in Rule-5(3) of notification No. 27 will be arranged accordingly.
- vii) The court room coordinator in collaboration with the Ld. Advocates or Litigants shall ensure prior 30 minutes of scheduled video conferencing that the parties or Advocates are ready from remote points.
- viii) The video conferencing rules promulgated by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court vide Notification No. 27 dated 18th May, 2020 shall be strictly applied in all proceedings of Virtual Courts during the Video Conferencing. And all the Advocates, participants, required persons and staffs are directed to comply the rules promulgated by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court for ensuring seamless Video Conferencing facility in respect of appearance, recording of evidence, submission through video conferencing, service of summons, examination of persons, exhibiting or showing documents to witness or accused, judicial remand, framing of charge, examination of accused and proceedings under section 164 of CrPC.
- ix) All the Advocates, required persons and Litigants who wanted to be present before the Virtual Court needs to record their presence and they shall abide by the rules of video conferencing promulgated by the Hon'ble Gauhati High court.
- x) Ld. Advocates desirous of taking participation of video conferencing from using his or her own desktop or laptop through his or her own

arrangement from their residences or chambers are required to take following steps.

- a) The desirous Advocates shall require to download "**Vidyo Mobile**" application (for mobile phone users) from Play Store or App Store or "**Vidyo Desktop**" (for Desktop or Laptop users) from URL <http://ecourtvc.nic.in/download.html?lang=en>, for the purpose of remain connect with the video conferencing from remote point.
 - b) The Ld. Advocates required to give intimation of connecting with video conferencing from their residents and chamber to the System officer and System Assistant of the District Court of Tezpur, Biswanath Chariali and Gohpur as per the contact details with mail ID's provided in columnno. xiii.
 - c) The Ld. Advocates at least 3 days prior to the scheduled video conferencing connect with the System Officer or System Assistant to facilitate the System Officer or System Assistant providing **User ID** and **Password** to the concerned advocate notifying date and time of hearing as per the "**limited purpose cause list**" of the said Virtual Courts. The Ld. Advocates are required to receive an **invitation link** having date and time of video conferencing. The Id. Advocates wishes to use their mobile or desktop from remote point link their chamber or their residence shall strictly comply the guidelines of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court promulgated in the form of video conferencing rules, so that the video conferencing completed or conducted may not be stored, recorded or circulated.
- xi) Further the Advocates, Litigants, required persons who desires to appear before the video conferencing facility of the Virtual Courts formulated in the District Court premises as well as the premises of two Sub Divisional Courts i.e. Biswanath Chariali and Gohpur are obliged to take following steps: -
- a) The Ld. Advocates shall appear before the Virtual Courts having the facility of video conferencing as per the time slot provided against each earmarked virtual court in the special cause list uploaded within the cyberspace of Sonitpur Judiciary.

Learned Advocates shall connect themselves with the presiding Judge of the concerned court from remote point of the court precinct as the presiding Judge shall be taken up the video conferencing from the chamber as per the time slot of special cause list. The Nodal officer and the Courtroom coordinator shall ensure the appearance of the Ld. Advocate and proper running condition of video conferencing at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled video conferencing.

- b) The earmarked virtual courts shall publish their Cause List notifying the date and time of hearing and limited numbers of advocates shall be allowed at the time of video conferencing alike in a criminal trial fixed for argument, the Ld. Defence Counsel and the Prosecutor will be permitted for hearing. Massive gathering within the remote point of virtual courts shall be avoided for preventing the spread of COVID-19 epidemic.

xii) The details of Virtual Courts are as follows:-

a) **VIRTUAL COURTS ROOMS AT TEZPUR:**

- i) **Virtual Court Room No-1**, Court of the District and Sessions Judge, Sonitpur
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Bhupen Saikia
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Meenaskhi Das
- ii) **Virtual Court Room No-2**, Court of the Additional District and Sessions Judge (FTC), Sonitpur, Tezpur (presently lying vacant)
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Pronab Deka
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Ananya Ganguli
- iii) **Virtual Court Room No-3**, Court of Munsiff No-2, Tezpur
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Utpal Kalita
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Githartho Borah
- iv) **Virtual Court Room No-4**, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Sonitpur, Tezpur
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Subhas Sah
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Bhabananda Das

- v) **Virtual Court Room No-5**, Court of Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate(S), Sonitpur, Tezpur
Name of Nodal Officer: - Sri Kaushik Ranjan Deka
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Arindam Paul
- vi) **Virtual Court Room No-6**, Court of Judicial Magistrate First Class, Sonitpur, Tezpur
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Dharmeswar Borah
Name of Coordinator: -Sri. Amarjit Nath
- vii) **Virtual Court Room No-7**, Court of MACT, Sonitpur, Tezpur
Name of Nodal Officer: -Sri. Nripendra Nath Das
Name of Coordinator: -Smti. Dharitri Hazarika

b. VIRTUAL COURTS AT BISWNATH CHARIALI

- (i). **Virtual Court No-1**: - Ld. Addl. District & Sessions Judge, BNC
Name of Nodal Officer:- Sri. Bikash Borah
Name of Coordinator:- Sri. Dhiraj Jaiswal
- (ii). **Virtual Court No-2**:- Ld. SDJM, BNC
Name of Nodal Officer:- Sri. Swapan Madhab Bordoloi
Name of Coordinator:- Sri. Bhupen Hazarika
- (iii). **Virtual Court No-3**: - Courtroom of Ld. JMFC, BNC
Name of Nodal Officer:- Sri. Chandra Kanta Nath
Name of Coordinator:- Sri. Biswajit Nath

c. VIRTUAL COURT AT GOHPUR

Virtual Court No-1:- Learned SDJM, Gohpur
Name of Nodal Officer:- Sri. Gopal Goswami
Name of Coordinator :-Sri. Bastab Biswas

xiii) **Contact details of System Officer, System Officer and Nodal Officer as follows: -**

1. System Officer of Tezpur:- Dhrubo Jyoti Borah,
Mobile No:- 7002919087
Email Id:- tezpur.sessions@gmail.com
2. System Assistant of Tezpur:- Ishrat Jahan
Mobile No-8486428178
Email Id:- tezpur.sessions@gmail.com

3. Contacts Numbers of Nodal Officers & Courtroom coordinators:-

Bhupen Saikia-9854460132,
Nripendra Nath Das-8876417232
Dharitri Hazarika-8638568763
Pronab Deka-9859449638
Ananya Ganguli-9706875560
Utpal Kalita-9101030874
Meenakshi Das- 9401052809
Subass Sah-7002971900
Bhabananda Das- 9707352304
Dharmeswar Borah-910160594
Kaushik Ranjan Deka-8638381503
Arindam Paul-7002999035
Amarjit Nath-8486731475

4. System Assistant of Biswanath Chariali & Gohpur-

Name:-Sri Basanta Parajuli
Mobile:- 8638569629
Email:-**bnc.sessions@gmail.com**
Email-gohpur.sessions@gmail.com

5. Nodal Officers of Biswanath Chariali

Names with contact:-
Chandra Kanta Nath-9854451325
Swapam Madhabh Bordoloi-9707507700
Bikash Borah - 9854045263

6. Nodal Officer of Gohpur

Names with contact:- Gopal Goswami – 9854033979

- xiv) For smooth and seamless functioning of the proceedings of Virtual Courts the date and time slot shall be published maintaining the '**Staggered Roster**' of the presiding officer in the cyberspace of Sonitpur Judiciary. The "**limited purpose cause list**" generated by each presiding judge of the Virtual courts shall upload within the Official Website of Sonitpur District Judiciary.
- xv) Further, considering the total strength of the working courts at Sonitpur, Tezpur, Biswanath Chariali and Gohpur, the number of Virtual Courts are found to be less due to unavailability of the equipment's. As such the

